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GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENTS

KANSAS CITY, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that two individuals were indicted on January 7, 2004, by a federal grand jury in Kansas City, Kansas. Those indicted include:

- ! **Jeffrey R. Cox**, 21, Lawrence, Kansas, currently in custody, is charged with one count of robbing the Central National Bank, Lawrence, Kansas, on February 7, 2003; one count of robbing the Douglas County Bank, Lawrence, Kansas, on June 9, 2003; one count of robbing the University National Bank, Lawrence, Kansas, on December 10, 2003; and one count of carrying a firearm during the bank robbery of the University National Bank of December 10, 2003.

If convicted, Cox faces a maximum of twenty years on each count of bank robbery and a minimum of ten years for carrying a firearm during a bank robbery. Cox was previously charged by criminal complaint on December 30, 2003, with one count of robbing the University National Bank, Lawrence, Kansas, and one count of carrying a firearm during the bank robbery. Cox was arrested by the FBI in Atlanta, Georgia, on December 30, 2003. The case was investigated by the Lawrence Police Department and the FBI and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kim Berger.

- ! **Dwayn Grant**, 35, Kansas City, Kansas, currently in custody, is charged with one count of possession with the intent to distribute more than 5 grams (more than .18 ounce) of crack cocaine on October 17, 2003, in Johnson County, Kansas.

If convicted, Grant faces a minimum of five years and a maximum of forty years in federal prison without parole. The case was investigated by the Olathe Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Leon Patton.

As in any criminal case, a person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. The Indictments filed merely contain allegations of criminal conduct.